# STEWARDSHIP 365

#### YEAR ROUND THOUGHTS ON

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

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# GRATITUDE

### **JESUS DID THE TEACHING**

# **PREACHERS DO THE PREACHING**

**LEADERS DO THE BEING** 

# SAY THANK YOU A LOT

#### •YOU ARE COMPETING WITH OTHER NOT-FOR-PROFITS THAT ARE SAYING THANK YOU IN CREATIVE WAYS

## •CHALLENGE YOUR COMMITTEES TO COME UP WITH 10 WAYS TO SAY THANK YOU TO YOUR CONGREGATION

### ONE FISH.....TWO FISH RED FISH......BLUE FISH

#### PERSONAL STORIES, FIRST PERSON POSITIVE ACCOUNTS CONVEY A RELATIONSHIP.

#### TESTIMONIES ALLOW THE WHOLE BODY TO FEEL THAT THEIR VOICE COULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE. EACH PERSON HAS SOMETHING TO BRING TO THE BODY...... JESUS NEVER FORGOT THAT NEITHER SHOULD WE

### **MAKE A LIST**

#### HAVE EACH SESSION MEMBER MAKE A LIST OF RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION: WHAT ARE YOU EXCITED ABOUT IN OUR CHURCH?

LEADERS SHOULD BE PREPARED TO BE THE FIRST TO MODEL POSITIVE, RELATIONAL MINISTRY. THE BODY WILL GIVE OF THEIR TREASURES FREELY IF THEY SENSE LEADERS ARE PRACTICING WHAT THEY SPEAK!

### **CONDUCT A SPIRITUAL GIFTS WORKSHOP**

- MORE THAN ONE WAY TO ARRIVE AT THE BOTTOM LINE!
- MOST FOLKS DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH THE INFORMATION THEY RECEIVE
- USE THE INFORMATION TO BUILD ON THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BODY
- INCLUDE THE INVENTORY IN ALL NEW MEMBER WORKSHOPS GIVE EACH MEMBER A SPIRITUAL GIFTS ID CARD WITH THE TOP 3 GIFTS LISTED

## **STEWARDSHIP IN WORSHIP**

HAVE SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE PASTOR PRAY AFTER RECEIVING THE OFFERING A STORY, A POEM, A PRAYER FROM SOMEONE NOT SERVING THAT SUNDAY PUTS FOCUS ON THE BODY GIVING.

HAVE A "WHAT CAN I OFFER?" SUNDAY. COLLECT PERSONAL NOTES IN THE OFFERING PLATE RECEIVING GIFTS OF TIME AND TALENT.

## **COMMUNICATE BY THE NUMBERS**

#### • STEWARDSHIP MONTHLY NEWSLETTER ARTICLE:

 "BECAUSE OF YOUR GIFTS, WE HAVE SERVED\_\_\_\_\_ PEOPLE IN WORSHIP THIS MONTH, CARED FOR\_\_\_\_\_\_ PEOPLE IN HOSPITAL AND CARE FACILITIES AND SUPPORTED\_\_\_\_\_ CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES. WE COULD NOT DO THIS WITHOUT YOUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS. THANK YOU FOR FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING YOUR CHURCH, WE NEED EACH OF YOU!

#### **GIVE A WEEKLY REPORT IN THE BULLETIN**

**JUNE 2017** 

JUNE 4 NEEDED EACH WEEK

JUNE 11 NEEDED EACH WEEK\_\_\_\_\_

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### PLEDGE OR NOT? FOR US....NOT

- WE UNDERSTAND COVENANT, COMMITMENT AND ALL THE OTHER C'S...BUT...
- WE LIVE IN A GENERATION OF NON TRADITIONAL CHURCH SEEKERS
- THEY WANT TO GIVE OUT OF ACTION, PURPOSE, RELATIONSHIP AND RESULTS
- EVEN TRADITIONAL GIVERS TOLD US THEY WOULD GIVE MORE IF NOT "FORCED"

## **FAITH BASED GIVING ?**

#### THAT'S WHAT WE ALL DO—RIGHT?

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• REALLY?

## •HAVE FAITH IN GOD, HAVE FAITH IN GOD'S LEADERS, HAVE FAITH IN GOD'S PEOPLE

# WE DON'T ASK FOR PLEDGE CARDS WE DO:

PREACH ON STEWARDSHIP HOLD SUNDAY SCHOOL ON STEWARDSHIP PROVIDE SPECIAL GIVING OPPORTUNITY ENVELOPES DEVLOP AND UPDATE OUR "WISH LIST" MONTHLY AND PUBLISH IT

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#### **SEND 3 GIVING REQUEST LETTERS A YEAR**

#### **NOV/DEC.** FORECASTING ADVENT/CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

ENCOURAGE ADDITIONAL GIVING TO SUPPORT THE CHURCH DURING CHRISTMAS GIVING SEASON REMIND FOLKS TO INCLUDE US IN THEIR YEAR END GIVING

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#### End of January

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Say thank you for the gifts of the previous year Preview programs for the new year Explain how continuing support makes a huge difference

#### **MAY/JUNE:**

- UPDATE ON PROGRAMS AND FINANCIAL PICTURE
- PREVIEW SUMMER PROGRAMS
- EXPRESS NEEDS FOR SUMMER MINISTRIES

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# **ADD YOUR IDEAS HERE**

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